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On December 17, 2004, a Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was mailed.

While the RCE filed August 17, 2004 was improper, the Notice mailed December 17, 2004 provided an incorrect reason. Box 7 was incorrectly checked. Box 3 should have been checked. The Office Action mailed March 26, 2004 was a non-final rejection. Since prosecution was not closed, the RCE was improper. However, the amendment filed August 17, 2004 with the RCE has been entered and forwarded to the examiner for consideration under 37 CFR 1.111. See MPEP 706.07(h)III.A.1.

No further response to the Office Action mailed March 26, 2004, or the Notice mailed December 17, 2004, is necessary.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Marie R. Yamnitsky at (571) 272-1531.

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